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METHOD FOR A GRAPHICS
PROCESSING FRAMEWORK
EMBODIED ON A SINGLE
SEMICONDUCTOR PLATFORM
(as amended)

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT B

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Before substantive examination, please enter the following amendments
regarding the above application in addition to those entered in the previous preliminary
amendment.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please delete lines 7-24 on page 1, disregard the amendment made in the
previous preliminary amendment with respect to only these lines, and insert therefor:
(See Appendix A for a red-lined copy)

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